## STATE PRIORITY UPDATE FOR 2015-2016

## **Current 2015 CTE State Priority Funding:**

- Letters went out on April 9<sup>th</sup> (regarding the following) to the Superintendent/Charter Manager, Business Manager and CTE Director of each entity receiving CTE State Priority Funding.
- CTE will make one final, supplemental allocation out to the school districts using Arizona CTE State Priority Program grant funding for FY 2015.
- In order to be eligible for these additional funds, a district:
  - ✓ -Cannot have had <u>excess</u> "cash on hand" following the approval of their FY 2014 Completion Report (anything more than 20% or \$10,000 whichever is greater)
  - ✓ -Must have an approved Arizona CTE State Priority Grant project for FY 2015
  - ✓ -Must have an approved 2014 Completion Report
  - ✓ -Must have no open Revisions for their state project in the Grants Management Enterprise system on April 22, 2015
- Those districts which are determined to be eligible recipients for additional state funds will be notified via an allocation letter on April 24, 2015.
- Districts <u>must</u> have an approved Revision in place incorporating the new funds into their approved state project no later than May 22, 2015 or <u>the funds will be forfeited</u>.
- This due date is imperative to give the ADE sufficient time to process a final payment to districts before the end of the state grant period. This also provides time to make the orderly transition to the new BREAZ accounting system.
- **Also note:** If you are <u>not eligible</u> for the additional Arizona CTE State Priority Program grant funding and have not yet received all of your funding payments this year, please ensure that any Revisions are approved no later than May 22, 2015 so that we can make a final payment to you.
- Again, in the new Grants Management Enterprise system, we are not able to generate a payment if a district has an open, unapproved Revision. If we are not able to make a payment to you after this date due to an open, unapproved Revision, the <u>remaining funds will be forfeited</u>.

## **Reminders 2016 Allocations:**

- The initial 2016 Carl D. Perkins allocation does not include carryover yet- this will be added to projects later.
- The 2016 <u>preliminary</u> CTE State Priority funding is based on 60% of the 2015 allocation they received.

## Next School Year 2015-2016:

- Districts will have to make payment requests for their CTE State Priority funding (like you do for your Perkins funding).
- Remember, payment requests are made into the system for funds that you have already expended or encumbered.
- This is different than in previous years where funds were delivered via a payment schedule.
- Emphasis must be placed on spending ALL of your CTE State Priority funding in the single fiscal year.
- This may alter how you plan to spend your funds this year in conjunction with your Perkins allocation.